

**WORKSHEET TO DETERMINE VOLUME OF
LITTER FED TO CATTLE**

BROILER DATA:

- A. No. of broilers _____ B. No. of flocks per year _____
- C. Lbs litter produced/yr: $(A \times B \times \text{_____}^{1/}) = \text{_____}$ lbs/yr
- D. Number of cleanouts/yr _____

STOCKER CATTLE:

- E. Number of cattle _____ F. Initial wgt on litter ration _____ lbs
- G. Final wgt on litter ration _____ lbs H. Total wgt gain $(G - F) = \text{_____}$ lbs
- I. Expected avg daily gain _____ lbs/day
- J. Days on litter ration $(H/I) = \text{_____} / \text{_____} = \text{_____}$ days
(Max value for J is 180 days to prevent Cu toxicity)

Complete K and L as applicable:

K. Total confinement of cattle:

1. Percent litter in ration (as decimal) $\text{_____}^{2/}$
2. Litter fed per year:

$$\begin{aligned} & E \times J \times (F + G) \times K1 / 133,333^{3/} = \\ & \text{_____} \times \text{_____} \times (\text{_____} + \text{_____}) \times \text{_____} / 133,333 = \\ & \text{_____} \text{ tons/yr (Enter tons fed in S)} \end{aligned}$$

L. Partial confinement of cattle (free choice):

1. Quality of pasture factor:

Excellent ----- 0.18
Good ----- 0.50
Poor ----- 0.90

2. Percent litter in ration (as decimal) _____

3. Litter fed per year:

$$\begin{aligned} & E \times J \times (F + G) \times L1 \times L2 / 133,333 = \\ & \text{_____} \times \text{_____} \times (\text{_____} + \text{_____}) \times \text{_____} \times \text{_____} / 133,333 = \\ & \text{_____} \text{ tons/yr (Enter tons fed in S)} \end{aligned}$$

^{1/} Lbs waste/bird/flock from Table 3, Section III, Alabama Poultry Waste Management Workbook.

^{2/} 50% litter in ration optimum for stocker cattle (Alabama Cooperative Extension Service Circular ANR-557).

^{3/} Includes weight averaging, daily intake of 3% of animal weight, and tonnage conversion factors.

BROOD COWS:

M. No. cows _____ N. Avg wgt _____ P. Days on litter ^{4/} _____

Q. Percent litter in ration (as decimal) ^{5/} _____

R. Tons litter fed to brood cows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} M & \times & N & \times & P & \times & L1 & \times & Q & / & 66,667 \text{ } ^{6/} = \\ \hline & \times & & \times & & \times & & \times & & / & 66,667 = \\ & & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & & & \text{tons/yr (Enter tons fed in S)} \end{array}$$

S. Total litter fed:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} K2 & + & L3 & + & R & = & \text{_____ tons/yr} \\ \hline & + & & + & & = & \text{_____ tons/yr} \\ \text{(Use this figure on Form AL-ENG-25E, Item H.)} \end{array}$$

NOTE: Use Form AL-ENG-25E to determine storage requirements.

^{4/} Max days = 120 to prevent Cu toxicity problems.

^{5/} Non-lactating brood cows: Max 80% litter. Lactating brood cows: Max 65% litter.

^{6/} Includes daily intake of 3% of animal weight and tonnage conversion factors.